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Applicant: Kenneth PATERSON Conf.: 1046
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For: ERROR DETECTION FOR DATA STORAGE AND TRANSMISSION

COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Applicant has reviewed the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance included with the Notice of Allowability mailed August 13, 2004, in the above-identified application and wish to note that on page 3, line 1, "truck" should read --track--; on page 3, line 3, "trucks" should read --tracks--; and on page 3, lines 5-7 should read as follows:

bytes derived in accordance with the polynomial $x^2 + x\alpha^2 + \alpha$,
where
 α is the primitive element $GF(2^8)$,
 x = the value of the byte k of track j ,
 $j=1\dots 2M, A, B$ and
 $k = 1\dots P/2$.

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The Examiner is respectfully requested to acknowledge receipt and consideration of these comments.

Respectfully submitted,

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